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2:30 p.m., August 27, Update: Road closures and power outages announced

Kūhiō Highway in the vicinity of the Hanalei Bridge remains closed until further notice due to a Flash Flood Warning for Kaua'i.

As of 1 p.m., Kūhiō Highway at the Wainiha bridge (mile marker 6.6) is closed due to flooding. Convoys on Kūhiō Highway between Waikoko and Wainiha are halted until further notice. To monitor updates, please visit state DOT's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/HawaiiDepartmentOfTransportation.

Ala Eke Road in Wainiha, and Kūhiō Highway near Mānoa Stream in Hā'ena are closed due to flooding.

Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative officials report there are power outages in Wainiha and Hā'ena, until further notice. KIUC troubleshooters are unable to access the area at this time due to the Kūhiō Highway closures.

Ocean Safety officials announce that all north shore lifeguard towers are closed until further notice.

The state Department of Education announced that Hanalei Elementary School has closed. All students have been picked up and are no longer on campus.

Green waste services at Hanalei and Kapa'a transfer stations are closed today. All other sites are open at this time, with the exception of the temporary transfer station at Kepuhi Point in Wainiha, which is closed.

A Flash Flood Warning means flash flooding is imminent or occurring in streams, roads and low-lying areas. Do not cross fast-flowing or rising water in your vehicle or on foot. The warning may be extended, dropped or modified as conditions develop.

Ponding, low visibility and other hazardous driving conditions are expected. If you must drive, please do so with extreme caution.

For updates on road conditions and closures, please call 241-1725. Please do not call Kaua'i police 911 unless you have an emergency.

For weather updates call the National Weather Service automated weather line at 245-6001, or visit the NWS website, www.weather.gov/hawaii.

To sign up for Blackboard Connect, the county's emergency notification service, please go to the county's website, www.kauai.gov, or call the Kaua'i Emergency Management Agency at 241-1800.

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